



REMARKS

Claim 8 has been amended to remove the phrase "e.g. nutrient solution". New claim 21 has been added specifying that the plant growth medium comprises a nutrient solution. Support for this amendment can be found in claim 8 of the application as originally filed. No new matter has been added.

Applicants affirm the election of Group I, claims 1-8.

The Examiner has allowed claims 1-8. Applicants have canceled non-elected claims 9-20 without prejudice and reserve the right to file a divisional application.

In view of the above amendments, Applicants respectfully submit that application is in condition to be passed to issue.

As this response is submitted within one (1) month from the mailing date of the Office Action, a 1-month extension of time is included herewith.

However, in the event the undersigned is mistaken in his calculations, an appropriate extension of time to respond is respectfully requested, and the Commissioner is authorised to debit the appropriate fee for that extension, or any other fee, from the deposit account of the undersigned, no 50-1676 in the name of Syngenta Crop Protection, Inc.

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